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Important Updates from **California and the World Ocean '06**

*Tuesday, September 19
Long Beach, California*

YESTERDAY AT CWO '06

California and the World Ocean '06 (CWO '06) opened yesterday with Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger, announcing an historic tri-state ocean partnership. He was joined in the announcement by Oregon Governor Ted Kulongoski and Washington Governor Chris Gregoire, who participated via satellite from Portland. The agreement calls for Washington, Oregon and California to develop coordinated action on regional ocean and coastal management.

In addition, NOAA Administrator Vice Admiral Conrad Lautenbacher and California Secretary for Resources Mike Chrisman unveiled the statewide California Ocean Awareness Campaign, "Thank You Ocean."

See the CWO '06 press web page for links to the agreement and all press releases from the conference <http://resources.ca.gov/ocean/cwo06/press.htm>.

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS AT CWO '06

Special Events

Tuesday's luncheon will feature a panel of leading journalists discussing their views on whether protecting the ocean is really on the agenda of the public and policy makers. Panelists include freelancer Thomas Hayden, Terry Rodgers of the *San Diego Union-Tribune*, and Ken Weiss of the *Los Angeles Times*. ****This session will now be Webcast live from** <http://resources.ca.gov/ocean/cwo06/webcast.htm>

Dr. Sylvia Earle and Jean-Michel Cousteau will be the featured speakers at a dinner celebration of ocean exploration at the Aquarium of the Pacific tonight.

Live Webcast from CWO '06 Today

Today, the Media Panel Luncheon and possibly sessions in Room 204 will be Webcast live. See the Concurrent Session Schedule to find out what sessions are in Room 204



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http://resources.ca.gov/ocean/cwo06/concurrent_sessions_schedule.htm. Please tune in to the live webcast for updates <http://resources.ca.gov/ocean/cwo06/webcast.htm>

Ocean Education: Teaching Children and All Californians about our Oceans

CWO '06 welcomes California's teachers with an ocean education-oriented track, including sessions on ocean literacy, making ocean education accessible to diverse audiences, the Education and the Environment Initiative, and the creation of the "Thank You Ocean" campaign. Thirty-four exceptional teachers from throughout California received scholarships to attend the conference. Please call CWO '06 press officers to arrange interviews with teachers, session leaders or other experts.

Other Session Highlights

Physical Processes. Sessions focused on sediment management to sustain beaches and the effects of global warming on coastal areas.

- Shoreline and Beach Management
- Mapping Beach and Coastal Bluff Erosion
- Implications of a Rising Sea Level
- Coastal Hazards and Protection

Ecosystem-Based Management (EBM). Sessions focused on managing marine ecosystems through a holistic, ecosystem-based approach.

- Ocean Zoning: Examples of Ecosystem-Based Governance
- Improving Coordination and Collaboration to Advance EBM
- Advancements in EBM
- Local and Regional Perspectives on EBM

Economic Uses and Industry. Sessions focused on the impacts of commercial/industrial uses of ocean resources.

- Maritime Industries: A Glorious Past, An Uncertain Future
- Reducing Environmental Impacts of Energy and Industry
- Ocean Water Desalination: Needs vs. Wants

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- Rigs to Reefs: Decommissioning of California's Oil Platforms

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